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April 29, 2003

The Honorable Board of Supervisors County of Los Angeles 383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration 500 West Temple Street Los Angeles, CA 90012

**Dear Supervisors:** 

# APPROVE FUNDING AGREEMENT WITH THE CITY OF WHITTIER ON BEHALF OF PARNELL PARK (FOURTH DISTRICT) (3 VOTES)

#### IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

Approve and instruct the Chief Administrative Officer to sign the attached Funding Agreement with the City of Whittier on behalf of Parnell Park to transfer \$200,000 from the Project and Facility Development Fund to the City to assist with planning, design, and/or construction activities related to the proposed improvements or replacement of the Parnell Park facilities.

#### PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

The recommended actions will provide the City of Whittier (City) with funding to assist in planning, design and/or construction activities related to the proposed improvement or replacement of existing recreation facilities at Parnell Park (Park).

The existing Park community building does not have sufficient space to address the growing community needs for senior and youth activities. The City plans to release a Request for Proposal (RFP) for the design/build of either a new combined Senior C enter/Activity Building or a new Senior Building. The proposed Senior Center/Activity Building will fulfill the senior group needs with a facility for meetings, meals and special events as well as a center for youth and adult recreation classes and meeting rooms. Upon receipt of the RFP responses, the City Council will determine whether to proceed with a combined Senior Center/Activity Building or only a Senior Center Building. The City Council expects to make their decision in late summer of 2003.

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The proposed grant agreement will provide funding to assist the City in its preconstruction and/or construction activities to improve or replace the existing facilities.

### Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals

The recommended actions will support the County's Strategic Plan Goal of Fiscal Responsibility by supporting activities related to the investment in public infrastructure.

#### FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING

The proposed funding agreement provides for the transfer of \$200,000 to the City. The funding for the agreement is provided from Fourth District Capital Project funds. The fiscal year 2001-02 Budget transferred this allocation of funding to the Project and Facility Development Fund to properly account for and encumber the agreement. Sufficient appropriation is available in the Project and Facility Development Fund Budget to fund this transfer.

#### FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

The agreement has been reviewed and approved as to form by County Counsel.

The agreement allows the City to expend the funds for pre-construction and/or construction costs, including but not limited to environmental assessments, feasibility studies, master planning, programming, architecture and design, project management, engineering and implementation costs.

#### **ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION**

The recommended actions are exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA). Any improvements or replacement of facilities that may be proposed as a result of the City's preconstruction and/or construction activities will be required to undergo an environmental assessment pursuant to CEQA.

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## **IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)**

The recommended actions will have no impact on any other currently planned projects but will assist the City with preconstruction and/or construction activities to improve and/or replace the Park facilities.

#### CONCLUSION

Please return one conformed copy of this action to the Chief Administrative Office (Capital Projects Division) and the Auditor-Controller.

Respectfully submitted,

DAVID E. JANSSEN Chief Administrative Officer

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Attachments (1)

c: County Counsel Auditor-Controller City of Whittier